Staying Overnight

CAMPING DOS & DON'TS: These rules protect the park & you!

NOTE: Rules may vary between the Park and the National Forest. Check page 3 for details.

KEEP FOOD FROM BEARS!

Required all year! Learn how to do it correctly — see below.

CAMPFIRE RESTRICTIONS

Gather only dead & down wood; do not cut limbs from trees. Better yet, bring wood or buy it at a market. Fires must be out cold before you leave.

In National Forest & Monument you must get a free campfire permit from the Hume Lake District Office, Kings Canyon Visitor Center (Grant Grove), or a Forest Service ranger.

ROADSIDE CAMPING?

Not permited in the park. Camp only in designated sites in campgrounds. In National Forest & Monument, roadside camping is permitted unless posted otherwise. Ask a ranger.

NO SAVING/HOLDING CAMPSITES

You may not hold a site for someone who has not arrived. Sites not occupied for 24 hours are considered abandoned; property may be impounded.

GROUP SITES & MAXI-MUM GROUP SIZES

UP TO 6: Many campgrounds allow only 1 vehicle & 6 people per site. Check locally for slight variations in these limits & parking locations for extra vehicles.

7 TO 19: In summer, Crystal Springs (Grant Grove) has firstcome, first-served sites for groups of 7-15. Canyon View in Cedar Grove has sites for 7-19. \$35/site.

LARGER: Call in advance for information on requesting summer group tent-camping sites: For Sunset or Canyon View 1-559-565-4335 (5/1-10/31: 565-3792 for Canyon View). To reserve group sites in Dorst or in national forest/monument: 1-877 -444-6777 or www.recreation.gov.

CAMPING TIME LIMITS

14 days between 6/14 & 9/14, with 30 days total per year.

QUIET HOURS & GENERATORS

10pm-6am. Generator use: At Lodgepole & Dorst only 8-11am & 5-8pm; at other campgrounds 9am-9pm only. Music should be audible in your campsite only.

RVS & TRAILERS

No hookups available.

Dump stations: See page 11 chart.

Trailers permitted in all but four park campgrounds; check chart on page 11. Many sites not suitable for trailers or RVs. Sites may not be level. Vehicles over 30 feet (9 m) long can fit in a small number of sites.

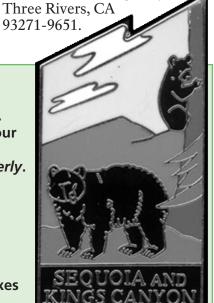
Length advisory: On Generals
Highway in Sequoia Park, from
Potwisha Campground to Giant
Forest Museum, advised vehicle
length limit = 22 feet. See page 5
for other limits & warnings.

PROPANE CANISTERS

Do not put propane or other fuel canisters in park trash cans or leave them in the parks. Take them with you when you leave.

VOLUNTEER AS A HOST

Live in the park, take care of campgrounds & resources, & meet great people! Learn about volunteer opportunities; contact Park Volunteer Coordinator, 47050 Generals Highway, Three Rivers, CA



save a bear!

Sales from the Save-a-Bear Kit & color pin (above) directly support bear management. See the pins at visitor centers.

LODGING

SEQUOIA PARK

• Wuksachi Village (DNCPR) Reservations: 1-888-252-5757 Front Desk: 1-559-565-4070 www.visitsequoia.com. Open all year. North of Giant Forest Museum 6 miles (9.6 km). Lodge, restaurant, lounge, gifts.

• Silver City Mountain Resort *
Summer: 1-559-561-3223
Winter: 1-805-528-2730
www.silvercityresort.com. Open late
May to late October. Cabins,
chalets, supplies, restaurant, gifts,
bakery, showers. No gas.

KINGS CANYON PARK

- Grant Grove Lodge & John Muir Lodge (KCPS)
 Reservations: 1-866-522-6966
 Front Desk: 1-559-335-5500
 www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com.
 Open all year. In Grant Grove. Hotel all year, cabins (May-Nov.), restaurant, showers, store, gifts.
- Cedar Grove Lodge (KCPS)
 Reservations: 1-866-522-6966
 Front Desk: 1-559-565-0100
 www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com
 Open Mid-May to mid-October. In
 the Kings Canyon. Motel, public
 showers, restaurant, laundry, store.

SEQUOIA NATIONAL FOREST & MONUMENT

- Montecito Lake Resort (formerly Montecito-Sequoia Lodge)
 Reservations: 1-800-227-9900
 Front Desk: 1-559-565-3388
 www.mslodge.com. Open all year.
 On Generals Hwy 9 miles (14.5 km) south of Grant Grove. Cabins, restaurant, hotel, lodge, x-c skiing, seasonal & children's activities.
- Stony Creek Lodge (KCPS)
 Reservations: 1-866-522-6966
 Front Desk: 1-559-565-3909.
 www.sequoia-kingscanyon.com
 Open early May early October. On
 Generals Highway between Grant
 Grove & Lodgepole. Restaurant,
 market, showers, gas. Hotel.
- **Big Meadows Cabin** (FS) 1-877-444-6777; www.recreation. gov. Open mid-June to mid-October. An historic guard station in the National Monument between Grant Grove & Lodgepole.
- Kings Canyon Lodge (Private*) Reservations: 1-559-335-2405 Open mid-April to mid-November. On Hwy 180, 13 miles (21 km) east of Grant Grove.
 - * Note: The two facilities on private land cannot be evaluated, regulated, or endorsed by the National Park or National Forest.

NEIGHBORING TOWNS

Three Rivers, Lemon Cove, Squaw Valley & others offer year-round lodging, camping, & services. Check www.nps.gov/ seki, click PLAN YOUR VISIT then link to LODGING, or ask at visitor centers.

WILDERNESS LODGE & PERMITS See page 4.

YOU MUST STORE ALL FOOD!

They then become destructive and sometimes aggressive. They want our food, not us, but people can get hurt. Too often these bears must be killed. This is why you may be fined if you do not store food *properly*.

• <u>DRIVERS</u>: Never leave any food or scented item in cars. Take infant

seats out of cars; the smells they absorb may attract bears.

• <u>CAMPERS</u>: Store food day and night in the metal boxes provided (see page 11 for box sizes; avoid bringing coolers that won't fit). Store ALL food, coolers, related items, and anything with an odor (even if it's not food) -- including unopened cans and bottles. Latch the box completely. Food not stored properly will be impounded. Where boxes are not provided, store food in the car trunk (seal food to reduce odors). If the car has no trunk, put everything on the floor, cover it well, and close the windows. Keep a clean campsite. Deposit garbage immediately in bear-proof containers or store it like food.

• PICKNICKERS: Guard your food at all times.

• LODGE GUESTS: Keep cabin doors closed any time you leave.

• <u>BACKPACKERS</u>: Store all food in a portable canister. Less than 3 pounds, it holds up to 5-day's food for one and fits in a pack. Metal boxes in a few backcountry locations offer backup storage. Rent or buy a canister at park visitor centers or markets. Bears defeat most attempts to hang food in trees.

• <u>EVERYONE</u>: Don't let bears approach you or your food. Wave your arms, make loud noises, and throw small rocks in their direction (avoid hitting the face or head). Keep a safe distance but be persistent. If a bear does get food, *never* try to take it back.

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